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AMENDMENT NO. 4

TO FORM S-1
ON
FORM S-4
REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

INTEGRATED ELECTRICAL SERVICES, INC.
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation or organization)

76-0542208
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

515 POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE 450
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77027-9408
(713) 860-1500
(Address, including zip code, and telephone number,
including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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APPROXIMATE DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF PROPOSED SALE TO THE PUBLIC: As soon as
practicable after the Registration Statement becomes effective.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on
a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to rule 415 under the Securities Act of
1933, check the following box. [X]

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered in
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pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and
list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective
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If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d)
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for the same offering. []

THE REGISTRANT HEREBY AMENDS THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON SUCH DATE OR
DATES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO DELAY ITS EFFECTIVE DATE UNTIL THE REGISTRANT SHALL

FILE A FURTHER AMENDMENT WHICH SPECIFICALLY STATES THAT THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL THEREAFTER BECOME EFFECTIVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8(a) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 OR UNTIL THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON SUCH DATE AS THE COMMISSION, ACTING PURSUANT TO SAID SECTION 8(a), MAY DETERMINE.

THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT CONTAINS A COMBINED PROSPECTUS PURSUANT TO RULE 429 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, WHICH RELATES TO THE COMPANY'S EARLIER REGISTRATION STATEMENT NO. 333-45479.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This registration statement contains two forms of prospectus: one to be used in connection with the acquisition of the assets or the securities of businesses by Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. and one to be used by persons or entities who have received stock of Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. in exchange for the assets or the securities of a business and who wish to sell such stock. These prospectuses are identical except that they contain different front cover pages and different descriptions of the plan of distribution. The form of prospectus to be used in connection with acquisitions is included first and is followed by those pages to be used in the prospectus to be used by selling stockholders which differ from those used in the acquisition prospectus. Each of the pages for the selling stockholder prospectus included herein is labeled "Alternate Page for Selling Stockholder Prospectus."

PROSPECTUS

[INTEGRATED ELECTRICAL SERVICES LOGO]

21,000,000 SHARES
COMMON STOCK

THE COMPANY:

- - Our company is the third largest provider of electrical contracting and maintenance services in the United States.
- - Our address is:
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515 Post Oak Boulevard
Suite 450
Houston, Texas 77027-9408
(713) 860-1500

THE OFFERING:

- - 21,000,000 shares of common stock.
- - All of the common stock we are offering by way of this prospectus will be offered, from time to time, to acquire the securities or assets of other businesses.
- - Our common stock trades under the symbol "IEE." The last reported sale price of the common stock on April 8, 1999 was \$16 1/4.

THIS INVESTMENT INVOLVES RISK. SEE "RISK FACTORS" BEGINNING ON PAGE 5.

Neither the SEC nor any state securities commission has determined whether this prospectus is truthful or complete. Nor have they made, nor will they make, any determination as to whether anyone should buy these securities. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

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As allowed by SEC rules, this prospectus does not contain all the information you can find in the registration statement or the exhibits to the registration statement.

The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" information into this prospectus, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to another document filed separately with the SEC. The information incorporated by reference is deemed to be part of this prospectus, except for any information superseded by information contained directly in this prospectus. This prospectus incorporates by reference the documents set forth below that we have previously filed with the SEC. These documents contain important information about our company and its financial condition.

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Documents incorporated by reference are available from us without charge, excluding all exhibits unless we have specifically incorporated by reference an exhibit in this prospectus. You may obtain documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus by requesting them in writing or by telephone from us at the following address:

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Attention: Corporate Secretary
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YOU SHOULD RELY ONLY ON THE INFORMATION CONTAINED OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE IN THIS PROSPECTUS. WE HAVE NOT AUTHORIZED ANYONE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH INFORMATION THAT IS DIFFERENT FROM WHAT IS CONTAINED IN THIS PROSPECTUS. THIS PROSPECTUS IS DATED APRIL 9, 1999. YOU SHOULD NOT ASSUME THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE PROSPECTUS IS ACCURATE AS OF ANY DATE OTHER THAN THAT DATE. ANY INFORMATION IN THIS PROSPECTUS OR IN A DOCUMENT INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE IN THIS PROSPECTUS SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE MODIFIED OR SUPERSEDED FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PROSPECTUS TO THE EXTENT THAT A STATEMENT CONTAINED IN THIS PROSPECTUS OR IN ANY SUBSEQUENTLY FILED DOCUMENT WHICH ALSO IS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE CHANGES SUCH STATEMENT.

THE COMPANY

In late 1997, we recognized an opportunity for a well-capitalized company with a nationwide presence to realize substantial competitive advantages by capitalizing on the fragmented nature of the electrical services industry. We began operations on January 30, 1998 with the acquisition of 16 electrical businesses, each of which had a strong identity and presence in its local markets, in order to create a nationwide provider of electrical services and to lead the consolidation of our industry.

According to U.S. Census data, the electrical contracting industry generated annual revenues in excess of \$40 billion in 1992. This data also indicates that the electrical contracting industry is highly fragmented with more than 54,000 companies, most of which are small, owner-operated businesses. Government sources indicate that total construction industry revenues have grown at an average compound rate of approximately 6% from 1995 through 1998. Over the same period, our revenues, calculated as if all the companies we have acquired were operating under common ownership for the entire period, increased at a compound annual rate of approximately 13%. We believe this growth in revenues is primarily due to the fact that our companies have been in business an average of 21 years, have strong relationships with customers, have effectively employed industry best practices and have focused on larger, higher margin projects.

We serve a broad range of markets, including the commercial, industrial, residential and power line markets. In addition, we have recently entered into the data communication market, which includes the installation of wiring for computer networks and fiber optic telecommunications systems. Our revenues are generated from a mix of new construction, renovation, maintenance and specialized services. We focus on higher margin, larger projects that require special expertise, such as design-and-build projects that utilize the capabilities of our in-house engineers, as well as service, maintenance and certain renovation and upgrade work which tends to either be recurring, have lower sensitivity to economic cycles, or both.

RISK FACTORS

You should carefully consider the following factors and other information in this prospectus before deciding to invest in the common stock.

DOWNTURNS IN CONSTRUCTION COULD ADVERSELY AFFECT OUR BUSINESS BECAUSE MORE THAN HALF OF OUR BUSINESS IS DEPENDENT ON LEVELS OF CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY.

Presently, more than half of our business is the installation of electrical systems in newly constructed and renovated buildings, plants and residences. Additionally, a majority of our business is concentrated in the southeastern and southwestern portion of the United States. Downturns in levels of construction or housing starts could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Our ability to maintain or increase revenues from new installation services will depend on the number of new construction starts and renovations. Our revenue growth from year to year is likely to reflect the cyclical nature of the construction industry. The number of new building starts will be affected by local economic conditions, changes in interest rates and other related factors. The housing industry is similarly affected by changes in general and local economic conditions, such as the following:

- employment and income levels;
- interest rates and other factors affecting the availability and cost of financing;
- tax implications for home buyers;
- consumer confidence; and
- housing, demand.

OUR GROWTH COULD BE DIFFICULT TO MANAGE. AN ACTIVELY EXPANDING COMPANY SUCH AS OURS REQUIRES THE CONSTANT ATTENTION OF ITS MANAGEMENT. IF TOO MUCH OF OUR MANAGEMENT'S TIME IS SPENT ATTENDING TO THE GROWTH OF OUR COMPANY, OUR OPERATIONS COULD SUFFER.

If we are unable to manage our growth, or if we are unable to attract and retain additional qualified management, there could be a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations. As we continue to grow, there can be no assurance that our management group will be able to oversee the company and effectively implement our operating or growth strategies. We expect our management will expend time and effort in evaluating, completing and integrating acquisitions and opening new facilities. We cannot guarantee that our systems, procedures and controls will be adequate to support our expanding operations, including the timely receipt of financial information from acquired companies.

A key point of our business strategy is to grow by acquiring other electrical contracting and data communication companies. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to acquire additional businesses or integrate and manage them successfully. We cannot assure you that the businesses we acquire will achieve sales and profitability that justify our investment.

Acquisitions we make may involve additional issues, including:

- adverse short-term effects on our financial results;
- diversion of our management's attention;
- dependence on retention, hiring and training of key personnel; and
- risks associated with unanticipated problems or legal liabilities.

In addition, if industry consolidation becomes more prevalent, the prices for acquisition candidates may increase and the number of available candidates may decrease. Our competitors may have greater financial resources to finance acquisition and internal growth opportunities and might be willing to pay higher prices than we are willing to pay for the same acquisition opportunities.

THERE IS CURRENTLY A SHORTAGE OF QUALIFIED ELECTRICIANS. SINCE THE MAJORITY OF OUR WORK IS PERFORMED BY ELECTRICIANS, THIS SHORTAGE COULD LIMIT OUR ABILITY TO GROW INTERNALLY IN THE FUTURE.

We believe there is currently a shortage of qualified electricians in the United States. In order to conduct our business, it is necessary to employ electricians. Over the last few years, as the U.S. economy has continued to grow and the unemployment rate has decreased to all time lows, it has become more difficult for us to attract, hire and retain competent employees. Our ability to increase productivity and profitability has been limited by our ability to employ, train and retain skilled electricians who meet our requirements. There can be no assurance that, among other things:

- we will be able to maintain the skilled labor force necessary to operate efficiently;
- our labor expenses will not increase as a result of a shortage in the skilled labor supply; or
- we will not have to curtail internal growth as a result of labor shortages.

IF OUR STOCK PRICE IS LOW AND OUR ABILITY TO OBTAIN CASH THROUGH THE DEBT OR EQUITY MARKETS IS LIMITED, OUR ACQUISITION PROGRAM, WHICH IS A KEY POINT OF OUR BUSINESS STRATEGY, COULD BE HAMPERED.

We use our common stock as at least part of the consideration paid for companies we acquire. If the common stock does not maintain a sufficient value or company owners will not accept common stock as consideration for their businesses, we may be required to use more of our cash to pursue our acquisition program. If we do not have sufficient cash or borrowing capacity, our growth could be limited unless we are able to obtain additional cash from the sale of debt or common stock in the public market.

OUR OPERATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO THE NUMEROUS HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS. THIS MAKES OUR BUSINESS RISKY. IF AN ACCIDENT OCCURS, IT COULD RESULT IN AN ADVERSE EFFECT ON OUR BUSINESS.

Hazards related to our industry include, but are not limited to, electrocutions, fires, mechanical failures or transportation accidents. These hazards can cause personal injury and loss of life, severe damage to or destruction of property and equipment and may result in suspension of operations. We maintain insurance coverage in the amounts and against the risks we believe are in accordance with industry practice, but this insurance does not cover all types or amounts of liabilities. No assurance can be given either that (1) this insurance will be adequate to cover all losses or liabilities we may incur in our operations or (2) we will be able to maintain insurance of the types or at levels that are adequate or at reasonable rates.

THE ESTIMATES WE USE IN PLACING BIDS COULD BE MATERIALLY INCORRECT. THE USE OF INCORRECT ESTIMATES COULD RESULT IN LOSSES ON A FIXED PRICE CONTRACT. THESE LOSSES COULD BE MATERIAL TO OUR BUSINESS.

Variations from estimated contract costs along with other risks inherent in performing fixed price contracts may result in actual revenue and gross profits for a project differing from those we originally estimated and could result in losses on projects. Depending upon the size of a particular project, variations from estimated contract costs can have a significant impact on our operating results for any fiscal quarter or year. We currently generate, and expect to continue to generate, more than half of our revenues under fixed price contracts. We must estimate the costs of completing a particular project to bid for such fixed price contracts. The cost of labor and materials, however, may vary from the costs we originally estimated.

WHILE WE DO NOT HAVE ONE KEY EMPLOYEE, THE LOSS OF A GROUP OF KEY PERSONNEL, EITHER AT THE CORPORATE OR OPERATING LEVEL, COULD ADVERSELY AFFECT OUR BUSINESS.

The loss of key personnel or the inability to hire and retain qualified employees could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Our operations depend on the continued efforts of our current and future executive officers and senior management and key management personnel at the companies we have acquired. A key criteria we use in evaluating acquisition candidates is the quality of their management. We cannot guarantee that any key member of management at the corporate or subsidiary level will continue in such capacity for any particular period of time. If we lose a group of key personnel, our operations as a public company could be adversely affected. We do not maintain key man life insurance.

THE HIGHLY COMPETITIVE NATURE OF OUR INDUSTRY COULD AFFECT OUR PROFITABILITY BY REDUCING OUR PROFIT MARGINS.

Our industry is served by small, owner-operated private companies, public companies and several large regional companies. We could also face competition in the future from other competitors entering the market. Some of our competitors offer a greater range of services, such as mechanical construction, plumbing and heating, ventilation and air conditioning services. Competition in the electrical contracting industry depends on a number of factors, including price. Some of our competitors may have lower overhead cost structures and may, therefore, be able to provide their services at lower rates.

DUE TO SEASONALITY, DIFFERING REGIONAL ECONOMIC CONDITIONS AND THE TIMING OF ACQUISITIONS, OUR RESULTS MAY FLUCTUATE FROM PERIOD TO PERIOD AND CAUSE FLUCTUATIONS IN OUR STOCK PRICE.

Our business can be subject to seasonal variations in operations and demand that affect the construction business, particularly in residential construction. Our quarterly results may also be affected by the timing of acquisitions, the timing and size of acquisition costs and regional economic conditions. Accordingly, our performance in any particular quarter may not be indicative of the results which can be expected for any other quarter or for the entire year. Because these factors are, for the most part, beyond our control, our operating results in one or more quarters may not meet the estimates of securities analysts or the expectations of our stockholders. Any failure by us to meet those estimates or expectations could materially affect the price of our common stock.

AS A RESULT OF OUR AGGRESSIVE ACQUISITION PROGRAM, WE HAVE GENERATED WHAT WE BELIEVE IS A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF DEBT. OUR CURRENT DEBT LEVEL COULD LIMIT OUR ABILITY TO FUND FUTURE WORKING CAPITAL NEEDS AND INCREASE OUR EXPOSURE DURING ADVERSE ECONOMIC CONDITIONS.

We have now and, will continue to have a significant amount of debt. As of March 1, 1999, we had approximately \$153.1 million of long-term indebtedness outstanding. Our substantial indebtedness could have important consequences to you. For example, it could:

- increase our vulnerability to general adverse economic and industry conditions;
- limit our ability to fund future working capital, capital expenditures and other general corporate requirements;
- limit our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and the industry in which we operate;
- place us at a disadvantage compared to our competitors that have less debt; and
- limit, along with the financial and other restrictive covenants in our indebtedness, among other things, our ability to borrow additional funds. Additionally, failing to comply with those covenants could result in an event of default which, if not cured or waived, could have a material adverse effect on us.

You should review the financial statements incorporated by reference into this prospectus for more information related to our debt.

COMPUTER SYSTEMS WE RELY ON MAY FAIL TO RECOGNIZE YEAR 2000. SUCH A FAILURE COULD RESULT IN DISRUPTIONS OF OUR OPERATIONS AND OUR ACCOUNTING SYSTEMS.

We are dependent on our computer software programs and operating systems in operating our business. We also depend on the proper functioning of computer systems of third parties, such as vendors and clients. The failure of any of these systems to appropriately interpret the upcoming calendar year 2000 could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and business prospects. We are currently identifying our own applications that will not be Year 2000 compliant and taking steps to determine whether third parties are doing the same. In addition, we are implementing a plan to prepare our computer systems to be Year 2000 compliant by September 30, 1999.

Our inability to remedy our own Year 2000 problems or the failure of third parties to do so may cause business interruptions or shutdown, financial loss, regulatory actions, reputational harm and/or legal liability. We can not assure you that our Year 2000 program will be effective or that our estimates about the timing and cost of completing our program will be accurate.

THE ESTIMATED LIFE OF GOODWILL MAY CHANGE. THIS WOULD RESULT IN ADVERSE CHANGES TO OUR EARNINGS.

Our balance sheet after we issued debt and acquired the companies described in our Form 8-K dated February 4, 1999 will have an amount called "goodwill" that represents 56% of assets and 102% of stockholders' equity. Goodwill is recorded when we pay more for a business than the fair value of the tangible and separately measurable intangible net assets. GAAP requires us to amortize this and all other intangible assets over the period benefited. We have determined that period to be no less than 40 years.

If it turns out that the period should have been shorter, earnings reported in periods right after the acquisition would be overstated. Then in later years, we will be burdened by a continuing charge against earnings, without the benefit to income we thought we would get when we agreed on the purchase price. Earnings in later years might also be significantly worse if we determine then that the remaining balance of goodwill is impaired.

We reviewed with our independent accountants all of the factors and related future cash flows which we considered in agreeing on a purchase price. We concluded that the future cash flows related to goodwill will continue indefinitely, and there is no persuasive evidence that any material portion will dissipate over a period shorter than 40 years.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus includes forward-looking statements. We have based these forward-looking statements on our current expectations and projections about future events. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions about us, including, among other things:

- our ability to acquire companies;
- the number and size of companies we are able to acquire;
- the effect of seasonality on our operating results;
- regional and national trends and conditions in our industry;
- our ability to integrate acquired businesses;
- regional and national economic conditions;
- our ability to compete; and
- our ability to grow our companies;

We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking events discussed in this prospectus might not occur.

SECURITIES COVERED BY THIS PROSPECTUS

The common stock covered by this prospectus is available for use in future acquisitions of businesses, properties or securities of entities or persons engaged in the electrical contracting and other related businesses. The consideration offered by Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. in such acquisitions, in addition to the common stock offered by this prospectus, may include cash, debt or other securities, or assumption by Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. of liabilities of the businesses being acquired, or a combination thereof. It is contemplated that the terms of each acquisition will be determined by negotiations between Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. and the management or the owners of the assets to be acquired or the owners of the securities (including newly issued securities) to be acquired, with Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. taking into account the quality of management, the past and potential earning power and growth of the assets or securities to be acquired, and other relevant factors. It is anticipated that the common stock issued in acquisitions hereunder will be valued at a price reasonably related to the market value of the common stock either at the time the terms of the acquisition are tentatively agreed upon or at or about the time or times of delivery of the shares.

We are continually considering possible acquisitions. We may from time to time negotiate and enter into letters of intent with potential acquisition candidates. The consideration related to these companies remains subject to negotiation until a definitive agreement is signed. The timing, size or success of any acquisition effort and the associated potential capital commitments cannot be predicted. The completion of each acquisition is subject to a satisfactory due diligence review, negotiation of definitive acquisition agreements, obtaining any necessary approvals and fulfilling all other conditions to closing.

LEGAL MATTERS

The legality of the common stock being offered by this prospectus will be passed upon for Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. by John F. Wombwell, Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. Mr. Wombwell owns 96,000 shares of common stock and has options to purchase 93,750 shares of common stock.

EXPERTS

The financial statements of Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. and subsidiaries and PCX Corporation incorporated by reference in this prospectus have been audited by Arthur Andersen LLP, independent public accountants, as indicated in their reports, and upon the authority of the firm as experts in giving audit reports.

The financial statements of Primo Electric Company incorporated by reference in this prospectus have been audited by Hertzbach & Company, P.A., Independent Public Accountants, as stated in their report.

The financial statements of Kayton Electric, Inc. incorporated by reference in this prospectus have been audited by KPMG Peat Marwick LLP, Independent Public Accountants, as stated in their report.

The financial statements of Bachofner Electric, Inc. incorporated by reference in this prospectus have been audited by Peck & Kopacek, P.C., Independent Public Accountants, as stated in their report.

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PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We are registering the common stock on behalf of selling stockholders. As used in this prospectus, "selling stockholders" includes donees and pledgees selling shares received from a named selling stockholder after the date of this prospectus. All costs, expenses and fees in connection with the registration of the common stock offered by this prospectus will be paid by us. Brokerage commissions and similar selling expenses, if any, attributable to the sale of common stock will be paid by the selling stockholders. Sales of common stock may be made by selling stockholders from time to time in one or more types of transactions (which may include block transactions) on the NYSE, in the over-the-counter market, in negotiated transactions, through put or call options transactions relating to the common stock, through short sales of common stock, or a combination of these methods of sale, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, or at negotiated prices. These transactions may or may not involve brokers or dealers. The selling stockholders have advised us that they have not entered into any agreements, understandings or arrangements with any underwriters or broker-dealers regarding the sale of their securities, nor is there an underwriter or coordinating broker acting in connection with the proposed sale of common stock by the selling stockholders.

The selling stockholders may sell common stock directly to purchasers or to or through broker-dealers, which may act as agents or principals. These broker-dealers may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions, or commissions from selling stockholders and/or the purchasers of common stock for whom the broker-dealers may act as agents or to whom they sell as principal, or both (which compensation as to a particular broker-dealer might be in excess of customary commissions).

The selling stockholders and any broker-dealers that act in connection with the sale of common stock might be "underwriters" within the meaning of Section 2(a)(11) of the Securities Act of 1933, and any commissions received by broker-dealers and any profit on the resale of the common stock sold by them while acting as principals might be considered underwriting discounts or commissions under the Securities Act. We have agreed to indemnify each selling stockholder against liabilities, including liabilities arising under the Securities Act. The selling stockholders may agree to indemnify any agent, dealer or broker-dealer that participates in transactions involving sales of the common stock against liabilities, including liabilities arising under the Securities Act.

Because selling stockholders may be "underwriters" within the meaning of Section 2(a)(11) of the Securities Act, the selling stockholders will be subject to the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act, which may include delivery through the facilities of the NYSE pursuant to Rule 153 under the Securities Act. We have informed the selling stockholders that the anti-manipulative provisions of Regulation M of the Exchange Act may apply to their sales in the market.

Selling stockholders also may resell all or a portion of the common stock in open market transactions in reliance upon Rule 144 under the Securities Act, provided they meet the criteria and conform to the requirements of the rule.

When we are notified by a selling stockholder that a material arrangement has been entered into with a broker-dealer for the sale of common stock, we will file a supplement to this prospectus, if required, pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Act, disclosing

- the name of each selling stockholder and of the participating broker-dealer(s),
- the number of shares involved,
- the price at which the shares were sold,
- the commissions paid or discounts or concessions allowed to such broker-dealer(s), where applicable,

- that the broker-dealer(s) did not conduct any investigation to verify the information set out or incorporated by reference in this prospectus; and
- other facts material to the transaction.

In addition, upon the company being notified by a selling stockholder that a donee or pledgee intends to sell more than 500 shares, a supplement to this prospectus will be filed.

In order to add named selling stockholders to this registration statement, we will file a post-effective amendment including information on the selling stockholders, such as name, number of shares owned before the offering, number of shares to be offered and number of shares owned after the offering.

PART II

INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

ITEM 20. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Subsection (a) of section 145 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware empowers a corporation to indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation) by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful.

Subsection (b) of Section 145 empowers a corporation to indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that such person acted in any of the capacities set forth above, against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, except that no indemnification may be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been made to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court of Chancery or the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the Court of Chancery or such other court shall deem proper.

Section 145 further provides that to the extent a director or officer of a corporation has been successful on the merits or otherwise in the defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to in subsections (a) and (b) of Section 145 in the defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, he shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection therewith; that indemnification provided for by Section 145 shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which the indemnified party may be entitled; that indemnification provided for by Section 145 shall, unless otherwise provided when authorized or ratified, continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of such person's heirs, executors and administrators; and empowers the corporation to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of a director or officer of the corporation against any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in any such capacity, or arising out of his status as such whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify him against such liabilities under Section 145.

Section 102(b)(7) of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware provides that a certificate of incorporation may contain a provision eliminating or limiting the personal liability of a director to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director provided that such provision shall not eliminate or limit the liability of a director (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) under Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

Article Eighth of the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation states that:

No director of the Corporation shall be personally liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty by such director as a director; provided, however, that this Article Eighth shall not eliminate or limit the liability of a director to the extent provided by applicable law (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) under Section 174 of the DGCL or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. No amendment to or repeal of this Article Eighth shall apply to, or have any effect on, the liability or alleged liability of any director of the Corporation for or with respect to any acts or omissions of such director occurring prior to such amendment or repeal. If the DGCL is amended to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors, then the liability of a director of the Corporation shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL, as so amended.

In addition, Article VI of the Company's Bylaws further provides that the Company shall indemnify its officers, directors and employees to the fullest extent permitted by law.

The Company has entered into indemnification agreements with each of its executive officers and directors.

These limitations on liability would apply to violations of the federal securities laws. However, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC, indemnification for liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933 is against public policy and therefore unenforceable.

ITEM 21. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a) Exhibits

- 3.1 -- Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation as amended. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-38715) of the Company)
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ITEM 22. UNDERTAKINGS

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act, and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement.

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(4) That, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to section 13(a) or section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(5) That prior to any public reoffering of the securities registered hereunder through use of a prospectus which is a part of this registration statement, by any person or party who is deemed to be an underwriter within the meaning of Rule 145(c), the issuer undertakes that such reoffering prospectus will contain the information called for by the applicable registration form with respect to reofferings by persons who may be deemed underwriters, in addition to the information called for by the other Items of the applicable form.

(6) That every prospectus (i) that is filed pursuant to paragraph (5) immediately preceding, or (ii) that purports to meet the requirements of section 10(a)(3) of the Act and is used in connection with an offering of securities subject to Rule 415, will be filed as a part of an amendment to the registration statement and will not be used until such amendment is effective, and that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(7) To respond to requests for information that is incorporated by reference into the prospectus pursuant to Items 4, 10(b), 11, or 13 of this Form, within one business day of receipt of such request, and to send the incorporated documents by first class mail or other equally prompt means. This includes information contained in documents filed subsequent to the effective date of the registration statement through the date of responding to the request.

(8) To supply by means of a post-effective amendment all information concerning a transaction, and the company being acquired involved therein, that was not the subject of and included in the registration statement when it became effective.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant has duly caused this Post Effective Amendment No. 3 on Form S-4 to its Registration Statement on Form S-1 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Houston, State of Texas, on April 9, 1999.

INTEGRATED ELECTRICAL SERVICE, INC.

By: /s/ JIM P. WISE*

 Jim P. Wise
 President and Chief Executive
 Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on April 9, 1999.

SIGNATURE -----	TITLE -----
/s/ JIM P. WISE* ----- Jim P. Wise	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer)
/s/ J. PAUL WITHROW* ----- J. Paul Withrow	Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)
/s/ C. BYRON SNYDER* ----- C. Byron Snyder	Chairman of the Board of Directors
/s/ JON POLLOCK* ----- Jon Pollock	Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors
----- Donald Paul Hodel	Director
/s/ JERRY M. MILLS* ----- Jerry M. Mills	Director
/s/ BEN L. MUELLER* ----- Ben L. Mueller	Director
/s/ RICHARD MUTH* ----- Richard Muth	Director
/s/ ALAN R. SIELBECK* ----- Alan R. Seilbeck	Director
/s/ ROBERT STALVEY* ----- Robert Stalvey	Director

SIGNATURE

TITLE

/s/ RICHARD L. TUCKER*

Director

Richard L. Tucker

/s/ BOB WEIK*

Director

Bob Weik

*By: /s/ JOHN F. WOMBWELL

John F. Wombwell
Pursuant to a power-of-attorney
filed
with the Registration Statement
on
Form S-1 (333-50031) on
April 14, 1998.

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CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

As independent public accountants, we hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this registration statement of our report dated November 12, 1998 included in Integrated Electrical Services, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 1998, and to all references to our Firm included in this registration statement.

ARTHUR ANDERSEN LLP

Houston, Texas
April 9, 1999

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

As independent public accountants, we hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Post-Effective Amendment No. 4 on Form S-4 to Form S-1 of Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. of our report dated July 14, 1998, on the financial statements of Prime Electric Company included in Integrated Electrical Services, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 4, 1999, and to all references to our firm in this registration statement.

Hertzbach & Company, P.A.
HS&S Professional Building
10 Music Fair Road
Owings Mills, MD 21117

April 9, 1999

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Board of Directors
Kayton Electric, Inc.

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Post-Effective Amendment No. 4 on Form S-4 to Form S-1 of Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. of our report dated January 28, 1998 (November 19, 1998 as to note 8) on the financial statements of Kayton Electric, Inc. included in Integrated Electrical Services, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K/A, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 17, 1999, including references to our firm in the Form S-4.

KPMG Peat Marwick LLP

Lincoln, Nebraska
April 9, 1999

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

As independent public accounts, we hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Post-Effective Amendment No. 4 on Form S-4 to Form S-1 of Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. of our report dated January 25, 1999, on the financial statements of Bachofner Electric, Inc. included in Integrated Electrical Services, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 4, 1999, and to all references to our firm in this registration statement.

Peck & Kopacek, P.C.

Beaverton, Oregon
April 9, 1999

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

To Integrated Electrical Services:

As independent public accountants, we hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Post-Effective Amendment No. 4 on Form S-4 to Form S-1 of Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. of our report dated March 17, 1998 on the balance sheet of PCX Corporation as of December 31, 1997, and the related statements of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows for the year then ended included in Integrated Electrical Services, Inc.'s current report on Form 8-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 4, 1999, and to all references to our firm in this registration statement.

/s/ ARTHUR ANDERSEN LLP

Raleigh, North Carolina
April 9, 1999